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Provisional agenda and documentation for the forty-fourth session of the Commission

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

   Documentation

   Provisional agenda and annotations

   Note by the Secretariat on the organization of the work of the session
3. Programme review: topic to be determined.

   Documentation

   Report of the programme reviewer
4. Demographic and social statistics:
   (a) Population and housing censuses;

   Documentation

   Report of the Secretary-General
   (b) Human settlements statistics;

   Documentation

   Report of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme
   (c) Health statistics;

   Documentation

   Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on Health Statistics

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(d) Education statistics;

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

(e) Employment statistics;

Documentation

Report of the International Labour Organization

(f) Gender statistics;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

(g) Culture statistics;

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

(h) Crime statistics.

Documentation

Joint report of the National Institute of Statistics and Geography of Mexico and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

5. Economic statistics:

(a) National accounts;

Documentation

Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on National Accounts

(b) Agricultural statistics;

Documentation

Report of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Agricultural and Rural Statistics

(c) Industrial statistics;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

(d) Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers;

Documentation

Report of the Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers

(e) Energy statistics;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

Report of the Oslo Group on Energy Statistics

(f) Service statistics;

Documentation

Report of the Voorburg Group on Service Statistics

(g) Tourism statistics;

Documentation

Report of the United Nations World Tourism Organization

(h) International Comparison Programme;

Documentation

Report of the World Bank

(i) Price statistics;

Documentation

Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on Price Statistics

(j) Statistics of science and technology;

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

(k) Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics;

Documentation

Report of the Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics

(l) Integrated economic statistics.

Documentation

Report of the Friends of the Chair

6. Natural resources and environment statistics:

(a) Environment statistics;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

(b) Environmental-economic accounting.

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting

7. Activities not classified by field:

(a) Coordination and integration of statistical programmes;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities

(b) Implementation of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics;

Documentation

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(c) Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata;

Documentation

Report of the Task Force to Establish Standards on Data and Metadata Exchange

(d) Statistical capacity-building;

Documentation

Report of the Partnership in Statistics for Development in the 21st Century

Report of the Secretary-General

(e) Development indicators;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

(f) Follow-up to Economic and Social Council policy decisions;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

(g) Working methods of the Statistical Commission;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

(h) Regional statistical development;

Documentation

Report of the Economic Commission for Africa

(i) National quality assurance frameworks;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

(j) Coordination of statistical activities in the United Nations.

Documentation

Report of the Friends of the Chair

8. Programme questions (United Nations Statistics Division).

9. Provisional agenda and dates for the forty-fifth session of the Commission.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat containing the draft provisional agenda for the forty-fifth session of the Commission

Note by the Secretariat on the draft multi-year programme of work of the Commission

10. Report of the Commission on its forty-fourth session.

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Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Statistical Commission held its forty-third session at United Nations Headquarters from 28 February to 2 March 2012. The Commission held six meetings.

B. Attendance

2. The session was attended by the representatives of the 24 States members of the Commission. Also in attendance were observers for other States Members of the United Nations and for non-Member States, representatives of United Nations system organizations and observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations. A list of participants is contained in document E/CN.3/2012/INF/1.

C. Election of officers

3. At its 1st meeting, on 28 February 2012, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chair:
Gabriella Vukovich (Hungary)

Vice-Chairs:
Jill Matheson (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)
Eduardo Sojo (Mexico)
Jiantang Ma (China)

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D. Agenda and organization of work

4. Also at its 1st meeting, on 28 February, the Commission adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document E/CN.3/2012/1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Items for discussion and decision:
   (a) Programme review: population and housing censuses;
   (b) Crime statistics;
   (c) National accounts;
   (d) Agricultural statistics;
   (e) Environmental-economic accounting;
   (f) Environment statistics;
   (g) Energy statistics;
   (h) Statistics for economies based on natural resources;
   (i) Information and communications technology statistics;
   (j) National quality assurance frameworks;
   (k) Implementation of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics;
   (l) Coordination of statistical activities in the United Nations;
   (m) Efforts in developing a plan of action on statistical development;
   (n) Statistics of human development;
   (o) Regional statistical development in Europe.
4. Items for information:
   (a) Gender statistics;
   (b) Washington Group on Disability Statistics;
   (c) International merchandise trade statistics;
   (d) Statistics of international trade in services;
   (e) Finance statistics;
   (f) International Comparison Programme;
   (g) Ottawa Group on Price Indices;
   (h) Coordination and integration of statistical programmes;
   (i) International economic and social classifications;

(j) Development indicators;

(k) Follow-up to Economic and Social Council policy decisions;

(l) Global geospatial information management;

(m) World Statistics Day.

5. Programme questions (United Nations Statistics Division).

6. Provisional agenda and dates for the forty-fourth session of the Commission.

7. Report of the Commission on its forty-third session.

5. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of the work of the session (E/CN.3/2012/L.1).

6. Also at the 1st meeting, the Commission invited the following organizations to participate as observers at its forty-third session: the Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics, the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa, the International Energy Forum secretariat, the Observatoire economique et statistique d'afrique subsaharienne, the Secretariat of the Pacific Community and the International Energy Agency.

E. Documentation

7. The documents before the Commission at its forty-third session are available from the website of the United Nations Statistics Division at http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/sc2012.htm.